

# State of North Carolina

# **ROY COOPER**

**GOVERNOR** 

## NORTH CAROLINA TECHNOLOGY DAY

2023

### BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

#### **A PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, the North Carolina technology industry represents more than 20 percent of the state's economy; and

WHEREAS, the technology industry employs more than 340,000 North Carolinians across all 100 counties; and

**WHEREAS**, North Carolina has the 5th highest technology growth rate in the country and more than double the national average; and

**WHEREAS**, North Carolina's strength in the industry is bolstered by the internationally recognized University of North Carolina system and the innovations which have been developed at each of the system's institutions; and

WHEREAS, since its founding, the Research Triangle Park has served as world leader, as the largest research park in the United States and the home for many transformational technology and biotechnology companies which have led the way in innovation for more than 70 years; and

**WHEREAS,** North Carolina is home to multiple corporate headquarters for domestic and international technology industry leaders; and

**WHEREAS**, companies such as IBM, Lenovo, Cisco, Red Hat, SAS, and many others have made North Carolina their home for decades, leading the way with corporate and community investments across the state; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina continues to recruit highly qualified employees and innovative, topnotch companies because of our reputation and support for the workforce needed to support the technology industry;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 11, 2023, as "**NORTH CAROLINA TECHNOLOGY DAY**" in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.

Roy Cooper

Governor

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this nineth day of May in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-three and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-seventh.